

## PRISON DECLARED LIKE INQUISITION

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You going to bed; it is there in fair weather and weather foul; it is there 7 days a week; its wheels are always grinding, grinding, grinding, slowly but surely grinding, and in the process the bodies and souls of human beings are being driven to hell.  
Warden is Discharged.  
Some specific facts were furnished and as a result the governor began a personal investigation which resulted in the discharge a few days ago of the warden and prison physician at Flat Top prison, the largest in Alabama.  
The society is now working with the governor of a prominent Eastern State on a graft probe. The prison system of the State in question is charged by Mr. Dudding with being "rotten with graft." For obvious reasons the name of the State is suppressed at this time.

## BRYAN HAILS PACT AS 'GREATEST STEP'

William Jennings Bryan, who has been ill here for several weeks, last night dictated from his sick bed a statement endorsing the league of nations as "the greatest step toward peace in a thousand years."  
Mr. Bryan, however, recommended changes in the draft of the proposed league as it now stands.  
"The faults of the constitution are found to be in its indefiniteness rather than in things positively objectionable," he said. "For instance, it is not stated with sufficient clearness that the Monroe doctrine is preserved."  
"The idea of the league," he said, "is taken from the thirty treaties negotiated by the United States with three-quarters of the world. Our nation, therefore, gives to the peace league its greatest piece of machinery."  
Mr. Bryan believes that good will come out of honest criticism of the league. "The President has done the best he could," he said, "but he will be aided by intelligent criticism from those friendly to the idea."  
He recommends several amendments, chief among which is a change in the representation proposed for the United States. "A comparison of voting strength will show that while our nation is the most powerful in the combination whether measured by population, wealth or moral influence, it has no larger vote than nations much inferior in population, wealth and influence," he said.

## 7,580 TROOPS NOW ON WAY HOME ON FIVE TRANSPORTS

The transports Princess Matoika, carrying about 3,300 additional American troops; Rijndam, with nearly 3,000; the Haverford, with 1,200 on board; the Zaccapa, carrying 86 officers, and the Polar Land, with 2 casual officers, have sailed from France for the United States. It was announced at the War Department this afternoon.  
Both the Princess Matoika and the Rijndam are due at Newport News March 21. The Haverford is scheduled for Philadelphia, but the expected date of its arrival there was not given. The Zaccapa is due at New York March 21, and the Polar Land is due at New York March 24.

## CONGRESSMEN PLAN VISIT TO THE PEACE CONFERENCE

A number of members of the House plan to go to Europe in a few days to visit Paris, learn something at first hand of the doings of the peace conference and see the troops in the field and the devastated regions.  
Most of the members will go Saturday on the Leviathan on which Secretary Daniels sails.  
Among them are Green and Hamme of Iowa, Hastings of Oklahoma, Connally and Summers of Texas, Ashbrook of Ohio, Baker of California, Glynn of Connecticut and McKinley, Yates and Wilson of Illinois.

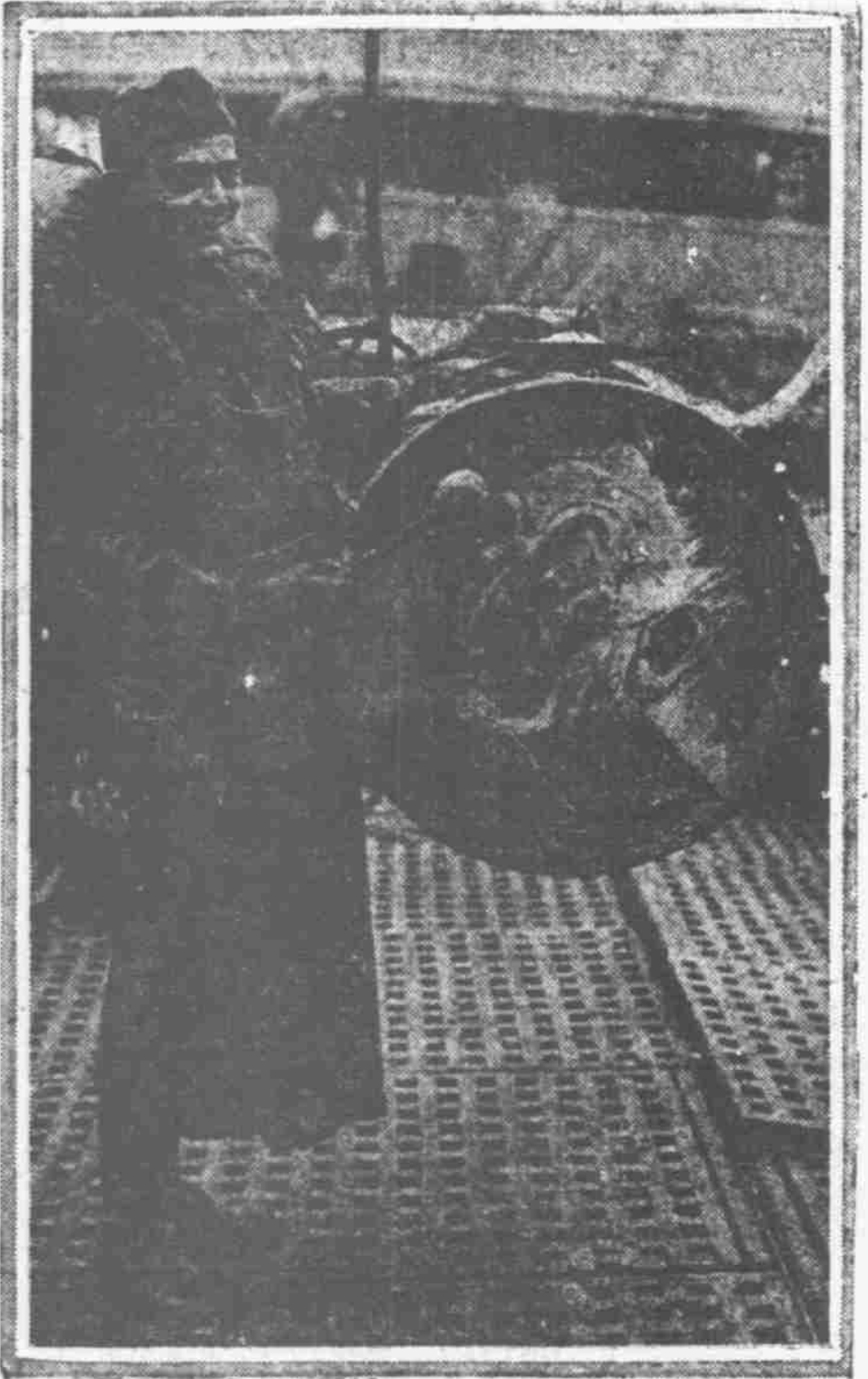
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Pummeling "Old Bill," the chief outdoor sport of the 173d Aero Squadron here and over there. Jess T. Teagarden, of the 173d, and his drum which became famous in France. Note the smile of satisfaction as Jess pummels the badly "smeared" face of Wilhelm.

## Stripping of Foe Army Encourages Enemies of U. S. Military Training

The decision of the peace conference to limit the German army to 100,000 men, enlisted on the volunteer plan for twelve years is looked on as certain to have a profound effect on military legislation in this country.

That the opposition to universal training in the United States will be much enhanced by the decision as to the size of the German army is evident at the outset. It is not at all unlikely that this opposition will make it impossible to get a universal training measure enacted either in the new Congress or for an indefinite period.

**No Action Taken.**  
Senator New, Senator Chamberlain, Congressman Kahn and other advocates of universal training have been hoping to get a measure passed in the new Congress for universal training. The last Congress took no action with respect to the country's permanent military policy. Just as in Europe the cutting down of the German army and the limitation of Prussian militarism will be used as an argument against conscription, so it will be used to fight universal training here.

## SPARTACANS ARM 100,000 CRIMINALS

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The Spartacans. They claim they will not return to work until the troops are withdrawn.  
The street car men failed to return to work, also.  
The government ordered the dissolution of the navy division on penalty of death, but instead of complying the men joined the Spartacans.

**Russian Prisoners Escape.**  
The escape of 5,000 Russian prisoners from Rubezhensk was confirmed today by a subordinate to War Minister Gustave Noske. The men left no clue behind them and are believed to have joined the Spartacans. Neither side is giving any quarter as the fighting rages.  
One hundred and fifty-one army officers and policemen, who were captured at the Liebenberg police station, were put to death.

**Fifty Executions a Day.**  
Since War Minister Gustave Noske issued an order to execute every armed (anti-government) man there have been more than fifty executions a day. It has increased the fury of the Spartacans' attacks.  
The fighting zone is like a Flanders' battlefield. The Spartacans are throwing up entrenchments, and are employing barbed wire entanglements before their positions.  
Wagons were overturned in the streets and in the newspaper district rolls of paper were utilized as barricades.  
At the Liebenberg police station \$20,000 was confiscated by the Spartacans.

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## SPEED PEACE ONLY WAY TO MEET CRISIS

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said Lansing. "She has paid a fearful penalty for the crime of plunging the world into four years of blood and fire. Today starvation and want are the portion of the German people. Violence and murder stalk through the streets of their great cities. It is the price for their own evil doing, just retribution for their crimes."  
"But it is no time to allow sentiments of vengeance and hatred to stand in the way of checking the advance of this conflagration, which will soon be at the German borders, threatening other lands. We must change the conditions on which social unrest feeds and strive to restore Germany to normal, though it be a weakened, social order. Two words tell the story—food and peace. To make Germany capable of resisting anarchy and the hideous despotism of the red terror, she must be allowed to purchase food; and to earn that food industrial conditions must be restored by a treaty of peace."

**Warms of Delay.**  
"It is not out of pity for the German people that this must be done, and done without delay, but because we victors in this war will be the chief sufferers if it is not done. It is to you men of France and men of America, to you men of the allied powers, that no time is to be lost if we are to save the world from the despotism of anarchy, even as we have saved it from the despotism of autocracy. We ought to, we must, make peace without delay. We have reached a crisis in the affairs of the world."  
"We must meet it without passion and without permitting our judgment to be warped by the natural and unavoidable desire for vengeance on a nation which has committed such atrocities as the Germans have committed."

## PEACE WITH GERMANY BY END OF THIS WEEK CONSIDERED PROBABLE

PARIS, March 12.—The peace treaty with Germany may be completed this week, if the present schedule of the supreme war council is maintained.

With President Wilson's arrival only forty-eight hours away, the supreme war council resumed consideration of the military, naval and air terms of the preliminary peace terms. The eastern boundary is expected to be finished tomorrow. Her western frontier is to be taken up Friday when President Wilson is expected to participate in the discussions. On Saturday reparations and financial arrangements for Germany will be settled.

Disposition of all scheduled business will be completed by completion of terms for the preliminary peace terms. The next step will be calling in the German delegates for submission of the terms.

The plan for the establishment of a new "buffer" state, composed of the Rhineland provinces, is expected to permit rapid progress in determination of Germany's western boundaries, probably on Friday, the day it is taken up.

Whether this buffer state for the protection of France will be established is not certain. That was one of the ideas put forward. Another called for the maintenance of an international police force on the Rhine to preclude the possibility of any sudden invasion of France by Germany.

**Reparation a Most Question.**  
Reparation, which will be taken up Saturday, however, may cause a long drawn out discussion, for there has been a conflict of ideas as to the amount that Germany should be called upon to pay. But it is generally conceded now that the sum should be fixed by Germany's ability to pay and not by what she ought to pay.

Never in history has there been a war so costly as the one just ended. The delegates are making all possible speed, so that Germany can be called in as soon as possible for their signatures to the treaty. That Germany is planning to send an unusually large delegation to Paris is indicated by press publications, but no matter how many representatives come from Berlin they will not be allowed to make any changes in the treaty. They must sign when told to do so.

Representatives of Poland and Denmark are taking a keen interest in the progress of the discussions of Germany's northern and eastern frontiers. The Danes are seeking Schleswig and the Poles want a slice of East Prussia including Danzig, which would give the new state of Poland a sea outlet for her products.

**Poles May Get Danzig.**  
It is understood that the Polish demand for Danzig has won a great deal of sympathy from the envoys and there are indications that the peace conference will be turned over to the Warsaw government, or else be internationalized.  
Germany will never again be able to get the word "Danish" as a result of the new military terms to be imposed upon her in the peace treaty. In addition to an army of about 100,000 men her navy will be reduced to such an extent that all of the sailors could be crowded on board the United States transport Leviathan.

The quarrel between the Italians and the Jugos-Slavs over territory on the Adriatic coast is not yet definitely settled, but has died down. This latter will be disposed of as quickly as possible after the arrival of President Wilson. The President's attitude on this matter is pretty generally known. He has indicated in speeches that he believes that Jugos-Slavs, or greater Serbia, should have an outlet on the Adriatic.

Premier Lloyd George is leading the movement for the abolition of conscription, and it is thought that he will have the support of President Wilson, although the idea is being opposed by some of the European nations.

**15,000 MEN TO BE LIMIT  
OF FOE'S NAVY PERSONNEL.**  
LONDON, March 12.—The supreme council has decided that the personnel of the German fleet is to be restricted to 15,000 men, according to press dispatches from Paris.  
The military conditions to be imposed on Germany include guarantees that no tanks will be built and no more poison gas manufactured, and that all German war material must be handed over and destroyed.  
It is added that allied commissions

## EX-WIFE OF "DOUG" WILL WED AGAIN



MRS. DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS. Who recently divorced Douglas Fairbanks, the noted movie star, and who is to become the bride of James Evans, Jr., a Wall Street broker, today in New York. Mr. Evans' home is in Pittsburgh, although his business is in New York.

will supervise the carrying out of these conditions.  
Premier Lloyd George and Arthur J. Balfour have sent word to their colleague here that the peace conference has nearly completed its work, according to the Evening News. The draft of the peace treaty has already been finished, says the same paper, and will be signed before the end of March.

## 200 GERMANS READY TO ATTEND PEACE PARLEYS

PARIS, March 12.—The Germans, believing they would be called to Paris for the preliminary peace terms by March 15, ordered special trains sufficient to bring 200 persons, according to the Petit Journal today.

## NATIONS' LEAGUE SOCIETIES DEBATE OVER ARMAMENT

LONDON, March 12.—The League of Nations societies in convention here today considered amendments proposed by the French for greater guarantees of security. These consisted of proposals for fixing the limitation of armaments and providing a permanent body to foresee and prepare military measures necessary to assure the fulfillment of obligations to the league.

The chief objection to these amendments comes from the American representatives. According to one of the American delegation, they are agreeable to giving the French guarantees so long as they do not make demands which interfere with the United States Constitution. They wish to preserve the right for the American Congress to decide when the United States shall make war.

## HARPER TO SEEK TALK WITH FORD

Col. Robert N. Harper, president of the Chamber of Commerce, is planning a trip to Michigan to urge the establishment in Washington of one of the new Ford automobile factories.

A letter telling in detail the prospects Washington offers from an industrial standpoint is being prepared by Colonel Harper and will be sent tomorrow to E. G. Liebold, Henry Ford's private secretary.

In the letter Colonel Harper expresses his desire to make a trip to Detroit to present in person Washington's petition for the location of one of the Ford factories in the National Capital.

Mr. Liebold is a personal friend of Colonel Harper, and it is probable that a date for an interview within the next few weeks will be arranged through the manufacturer's secretary. Colonel Harper is confident that once an interview is arranged, he will be able to present the argument for the establishment of one of the Ford factories in Washington in such a way that the plan will be seriously considered by Mr. Ford.

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## SYMPATHY STRIKE TIES N. Y. HARBOR

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congestion, but thousands were forced to walk to their places of employment.  
Union officials announced that if the trolley company would recognize their union they would submit all other questions to arbitration, but the company officials refused to do this.  
With street car traffic in Newark, Paterson, Elizabeth, Jersey City, and 127 smaller municipalities completely tied up, striking street railway employees are lined up for a final fight against the railway companies.

The tie-up has virtually stopped all traffic on car lines, only twelve cars out of 535 being in operation in Newark. Public sentiment is in sympathy with the strikers and few persons used the cars.  
Attempts to break the strike by employing ex-soldiers and sailors failed, not a single service man responding to fancy wages offered by companies. Reports received by Mayor Charles F. Gillen at noon today stated that 2,000 strikebreakers had been mobilized at Jersey City. Mayor Frank Hague, of Jersey City, warned the company there not to attempt to use them.

"Strikebreakers will not be tolerated here," Mayor Gillen declared. "We've had trouble with them before. Police protection will be furnished any legitimate effort to resume traffic. The lines have the situation well in hand and the public is not suffering."  
Efforts of Federal mediators to effect a settlement have proved unavailing. The strikers and street railways are willing to submit the workers' demand for a nine-hour day with ten hours' pay to arbitration. The strikers, however, insist upon recognition of the union first.

No intervention by city or State officials will be attempted at the present, according to Mayor Gillen. "The workers have a real grievance," he stated.

**TELEPHONE R. R. CLERKS STRIKE.**  
NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 12.—More than 1,200 union railway clerks are on strike here today as a protest against alleged unfairness to the union by A. F. Ottarson, Federal auditor of the railroad administration. The strike began yesterday, when W. L. Mapother, Federal manager of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad, declined to discharge Ottarson.

**LAY BLAME ON STEEL MAGNATES.**  
Charging that steel magnates are fomenting strikes throughout the entire country, officials and leaders of the steel workers have appealed to the Department of Labor here today for interference. The steel industry is charged with discrimination against union men.

**REIN ISSUE PAPER.**  
CHICAGO, March 12.—Copies of "One Big Union" a newspaper, are today in the hands of Department of Justice agents, who have disclosed that a union of radicals, Reds, Bolsheviks, E. W. W., and many other disreputable elements is being planned. It would have one leadership, according to the plan. The paper is shipped by freight and not through the mails, officials say.

**PLAN STATE PATROL LAW.**  
CHARLOTTE, N. C., March 12.—With members of the miners' unions in this State threatening to take up arms against the "ruling classes of

## HIS FIRST VIOLIN WAS A CIGAR BOX

Gagging never came to the surface under more adverse circumstances than in the case of Billy Arlington, star comedian of "The Golden Crock," this week's attraction at the Gayety Theatre. Arlington is as good a violinist as he is a comedian, but the former art had a violent struggle to come to the fore in the Arlington family.

"The comedian's father was well known as a fiddle player in the country town in Virginia where Arlington lived. His gifted son early manifested a desire to get at the coveted instrument that Arlington senior kept under lock and key. But the father was adamant, and his rule was that son should never touch father's fiddle until he knew how to play."

So Arlington constructed a pretentious fiddle of a cigar box, according to the story he related today. He practiced along in the woods. Determined to keep his practice a secret, he hid the fiddle in a tree stump. At length he went in his father with the story that he could play, and claimed his hereditary right to his father's violin.

His father had a power ready. "Bring me the fiddle, play a tune, and you can have mine," he said. Back to the woods trotted the eager lad to get his home-made instrument. He thrust his hand eagerly into the tree stump and jerked out the rude violin. Bad luck was with him again. A squirrel had eaten up the strings. Arlington finally won out in the battle with his father and the latter several years later gave his son permission to go on the stage. For nearly ten years Arlington has been a burlesque attraction.

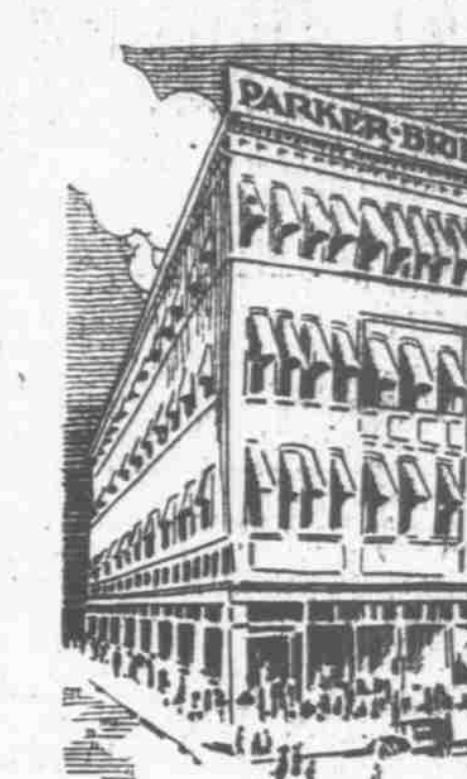
## REBUKE CONGRESS FOR IGNORING D. C.

Resolutions declaring that the District Commissioners are "morally bound to take judicial notice of the manifest hostility of the Congress just adjourned to the interests of the inhabitants of this community" were passed at a meeting of the General Citizens Association last night.

The association also appealed to the Commissioners to approve the suggestion of using the sum of \$60,000, to be raised by popular subscription, for the purpose of maintaining the street cleaning department in the National Capital.

The Commissioners should approve of the plan of maintaining the street cleaning system so that epidemic may be prevented in Washington, said Thomas J. Donovan, of the association, today.

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